

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 414
By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to honor Amber Ervin, 1996 salutatorian of
Lebanon High School.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that this General Assembly honor those individuals who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment have achieved excellence in their academic careers; and

WHEREAS, Amber Lizabeth Ervin is one such outstanding student who has distinguished herself as salutatorian of the 1996 graduating class at Lebanon High School; and

WHEREAS, a native of Wilmington, North Carolina, Amber was born on December 16, 1977, and attended Gregory Elementary School in Wilmington; Overstreet Elementary School in Starkville, Mississippi; Byars Dowdy; and Walter J. Baird, before becoming a student at Lebanon High School; and

WHEREAS, through long hours of diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and untiring commitment of time and talent, Amber has achieved extraordinary academic success, and has joined the ranks of the elite students of Tennessee and our nation; and

WHEREAS, in her laudable high school career, she has earned an exceptional 98.048 (4.0) Grade Point Average and an excellent ACT score of 28; and

WHEREAS, Amber was also specially honored with the prestigious Rotary Youth Leadership Award and was nominated for the Most Likely to Succeed recognition; and

WHEREAS, she is a very active participant in school groups, including the Beta Club, which she serves ably as president, Mu Alpha Theta, the Student Council, STARS,

the Latin club, FCA, FHA, Lebanon High School This Morning, and the Newspaper Staff; and

WHEREAS, she evinces her strong faith as a member of First Baptist Church; and

WHEREAS, her hobbies include photography, reading, running and swimming; and

WHEREAS, she plans to attend the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, major in Business and then seek a degree in law; and

WHEREAS, Amber Ervin's display of intellectual prowess and inner drive surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Amber's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her parents, Bill and Beverly Ervin, her grandparents, James and Louise Ervin and Barbara Barton, her brother, Brent Ervin, who is a sophomore at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, her other grandparent is the late Thomas Westmoreland; and

WHEREAS, Principal Steve Maloan and Superintendent of Schools Kip Puryear have been very supportive of her; and

WHEREAS, Amber Ervin's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we honor and commend Amber Ervin on being the 1996 salutatorian at Lebanon High School and wish her well in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution, duly inscribed, be furnished to Amber Ervin, with this final resolving clause deleted.